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FOR AMBASSADOR MYERSON/BENEVA

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TAGS: PGOV, PFOR, UN, ECOSOC

SUB: 61ST ECOSOC: U.S. PROPOSAL ON ILLICIT PAYMENTS

REF: STATE 179170

1. AMBASSADOR CALLED ON SECRETARY-GENERAL IVORIAN MINISTRY OF FORIEGN AFFAIRS HONORE POLNEAU JUNE 23 AND LEFT DIPNOTE WITH HIM PLUGGING FOR IVORY COAST'S SUPPORT IN ECOSOC FOR U.S. PROPOSAL ON ILLICIT PAYMENTS. AMBASSADOR DREW ATTENTION TO PREVIOUS DIPNOTE OF MAY 14 ON SAME SUBJECT, WICH HAD NOT YET BEEN ACKNOWLEDGED.

2. LATEST DIPNOTE AND AMBASSADOR'S PRESENTATION STRESSED POINTS CONTAINED REFTEL, INCLUDING PARTICULARLY THE TIMELINESS OF GETTING AN INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT WHICH WOULD BE FRAMEWORK FOR NATIONAL LEGISLATION.

3. POLNEAU' REMARKED, SOMEWHAT CYNICALLY, THAT THE PROBLEM OF BRIBERY IS A WORLD-WIDE ONE AND THEREFORE
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VERY DIFFICULT TO DEAL WITH. HE ADDED THAT PERHAPS

USG WAS FAR AHEAD OF OTHERS IN ITS CONCERN OVER THIS QUESTION.

4. AMBASSADOR REPLIED THAT THIS WAS ALL THE MORE REASON TO ENCOURAGE BROADER CONCERN NOW. POLNEAU DID NOT DISAGREE.

5. POLNEAU PROMISED TO BRING DIPNOTE TO MINISTER'S ATTENTION SO THAT APPROPRIATE INSTRUCTIONS COULD BE GIVEN TO IVORIAN DELEGATION TO ECOSOC.

6. COMMENT: AMBASSADOR STILL BELIVES THAT GARNERING GOIC SUPPORT FOR THIS RESOLUTION CAN BEST BE DONE BY USDEL AT ECOSOC. PROBLEM IS NOT ONE THAT HAS BEEN OF GREAT PUBLIC CONCERN TO IVORIAN GOVERNMENT.
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